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Amendments to the Specification:

*At page 1, line 1, please delete subheading:*

~~Description~~

*Please amend the title to read as:*

LEADFRAME-BASED HOUSING, LEADFRAME STRIP, SURFACE-MOUNTED  
OPTOELECTRONIC COMPONENT, AND PRODUCTION METHOD

*Please insert the following new paragraph after the title:*

Cross-Reference to Related Applications

This application is the National Stage of International Application No.  
PCT/DE2003/001906, filed June 10, 2003, which claims the benefit of German Patent  
Application Serial No. 10234704.2, filed on July 30, 2002. The contents of both applications are  
hereby incorporated by reference in their entireties.

*At page 1, after the new paragraph "Cross-Reference to", insert a new subheading:*

FIELD OF THE INVENTION

*At page 1, line 12 , after the first paragraph, insert a new subheading:*

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION

*At page 3, line 24, in the blank space above the paragraph beginning "It is therefore,"  
insert a new subheading:*

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

*Please amend the paragraph beginning at page 3, line 29, as follows:*

This object is achieved by means of a leadframe-based housing ~~having the features of Claim 1~~, leadframe ribbon ~~having the features of Claim 6~~, an electronic component having the features of ~~Claim 7~~ as set forth below and a method having the features of ~~Claim 13~~. from following description. Advantageous improvements of the invention ~~are the subject matter of the dependent claims also follow~~.

*At page 7, line 13, in the blank space above the paragraph beginning "The housing base," insert a new subheading:*

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS "

*At page 8, line 8, in the blank space above the paragraph beginning "Like or like-acting" insert a new subheading:*

DETAILED DESCRIPTION OF THE PREFERRED EMBODIMENTS

*At page 17, line 14, delete:*

~~{{Figure 4b}}~~